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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Inventor:	P. Tiemann)	Group Art Unit:	3741
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Serial No.:	10/568,735)	Examiner:	L. Casaregola
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Filed:	February 17, 2006)	Confirmation No.:	4938
Title:	DIFFUSER FOR A GAS TURBINE, AND GAS TURBINE FOR POWER GENERATION			

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

As set forth in the Office Action mailed January 28, 2009, the Examiner asserts that claims 14-27 (Group I) and claims 28-31 (Group II) are drawn to distinct subject matter. The Examiner therefore requires Applicant to select for examination the claims of Group I or II.

In response, Applicant elects, without traverse, to prosecute for examination purposes, the invention identified in Group I, claims 14-27.

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CONCLUSION

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning this paper or application, or if any undeveloped issues remain, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Applicant's undersigned agent by telephone to resolve such questions or issues. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this paper. The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees due in connection with this paper or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-2179.

Respectfully submitted,

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